

GM902

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, HERBERT RICHARDS, JR., for a term to expire 6-30-2015.

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**STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

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**Testimony of
WILLIAM J. AILA, JR.
Chairperson**

**Before the Senate Committee on
WATER, LAND, AND HOUSING**

**Tuesday, April 17, 2012
2:00 PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 224**

**In consideration of
GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 902 –
SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE LEGACY
LAND CONSERVATION COMMISSION,
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, HERBERT MONTEGUE RICHARDS, JR.,
FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2015.**

The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) strongly supports Governor's Message (G.M.) 902, nominating Herbert Montegue Richards, Jr., to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission (Commission) for a second term to expire June 30, 2015. Pursuant to Section 173A-2.4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, Mr. Richards will fill the Commission composition requirement of being a member of a statewide agricultural association, and also fills the residency requirement for the County of Hawaii.

Mr. Richards is a well-respected Big Island rancher and a member of several agricultural, environmental, and historical organizations within the State. He has served on a long and diverse list of committees, boards, and commissions within Hawaii. Mr. Richards is a board member of Parker Ranch, Inc., The Nature Conservancy of Hawai'i, the Agricultural Leadership Foundation of Hawai'i, Lyman House Memorial Museum, and several other foundations and organizations. In the past, he has served as a member on the University of Hawai'i Board of Regents, the Hawai'i County Police Commission, and the Commission on Water Resource Management.

Over the past five years, Mr. Richards has fully participated as part of the Legacy Land Conservation Commission in advising the Board and Department regarding proposals from state agencies, county agencies, and nonprofit land conservation organizations projects to preserve the State's valuable agricultural, natural, cultural, historic, and recreational lands. He has given generously of his time, agricultural expertise, and extensive experience with boards and commissions. The Department expresses its appreciation to Mr. Richards and strongly supports G.M. 902 on the reappointment of Herbert Montegue Richards, Jr., to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission.

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SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AND HOUSING

GM 902

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Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon and Members of the Committee:

My name is Alan Gottlieb, and I am a rancher and the Government Affairs Chair for the Hawaii Cattlemen's Council. The Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Inc. (HCC) is the Statewide umbrella organization comprised of the five county level Cattlemen's Associations. Our 130+ member ranchers represent over 60,000 head of beef cows; more than 75% of all the beef cows in the State. Ranchers are the stewards of approximately 25% of the State's total land mass.

The Hawaii Cattlemen's Council strongly supports GM 902 nominating HERBERT "MONTY" RICHARDS JR. to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission.

Monty is a person of impeccable integrity. He is well thought of and respected by members of the agricultural community in the State of Hawaii. He is intelligent, well spoken, trustworthy and very knowledgeable of the issues which he represents. Not only is Monty a hard worker, he is a genuinely nice person and has been my mentor for over 30 years.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to testify in strong support of GM 902 nominating HERBERT "MONTY" RICHARDS JR. to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission.



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Comments:

Aloha. Papa Ola Lokahi strongly supports the appointment of Mr. Herbert Richards, Jr. to the Legacy land conservation Commission. He and his `ohana have spent generations on the `aina. POL strongly supports his nomination to the Commission. Thank you.